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Dear Jenna:

Thank you for your letter following up on our conversation on the CALFED Program's public workshops scheduled for January 1999. I appreciate your concern for reaching as many people as possible – a goal CALFED shares.

As we discussed, these January workshops are the first of many that CALFED will hold in 1999. The January workshops were scheduled to quickly follow the release of the Revised Phase II Report to meet people's need for information about the preferred alternative as quickly as possible and to provide input to CALFED from the public. While we did postpone the start of the workshops for one week, delaying the workshops for a month or more would cost us opportunities for outreach and slow the transmission of information to the public.

In addition to the workshops scheduled by CALFED, the staff continues to accept many invitations to participate in the meetings, conferences and workshops of other organizations, which are valuable partnerships for public outreach.

Thank you for your comments and efforts to involve the public in CALFED.

Sincerely,

Valerie Holcomb
Public Affairs Director

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 Department of Fish and Game
 Department of Water Resources
 California Environmental Protection Agency
 State Water Resources Control Board

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 Department of the Interior
 Fish and Wildlife Service
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